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## Public Act No. 06-146

## AN ACT CONCERNING ACCRUED LEAVE FOR STATE EMPLOYEES SERVING IN THE MILITARY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. Subsection (c) of section 5-259d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(c) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes or any public or special act, any state employee who is a member of the armed forces of any state or of any reserve component of the armed forces of the United States and who has been called to active service in the armed forces of any state or the United States for (1) Operation Enduring Freedom, (2) Operation Noble Eagle, (3) a related emergency operation or a military operation whose mission was substantially changed as a result of the attacks of September 11, 2001, or (4) federal action or state action authorized by the Governor in support of the federal Department of Homeland Security's Operation Liberty Shield, military operations that are authorized by the President of the United States that entail military action against Iraq, or federal action or state action authorized by the Governor to combat terrorism within the United States, shall continue to accrue all vacation and sick leave time to which the employee would be entitled if he or she had continued

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working in his or her state position during the time of such active service, and shall be entitled to a leave of absence with pay as provided in section 27-33 from the date on which the employee was called to active service. After the expiration of such leave of absence with pay, the state employee shall receive part pay for the duration of such call-up to active service if the compensation received by the state employee for such active service is less than the employee's base rate of pay, plus longevity, in the employee's primary position. The state employee shall not be required to exhaust accrued vacation or sick time in order to be eligible for the paid leave of absence and part pay under this subsection.

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